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Addendum

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PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1996-1997

Section 13. Crime control

1. At its 16th meeting, on 26 May 1995, the Committee for Programme and Coordination considered section 13, Crime control, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997.

Discussion

2. A number of delegations expressed support for the objectives and the scope of activities proposed under section 13.

3. Several delegations considered that allocation of resources within the programme did not fully meet the priorities established by the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council and that subprogrammes 1 and 2 should receive priority attention.

4. Some delegations felt that proposal for upgrading the Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Branch into a division and for the strengthening of staff resources was not justified by the scope of the activities envisaged for the biennium. One delegation indicated that the resources under the programme

should be strengthened through internal redeployment. Other delegations supported the proposals of the Secretary-General. One delegation noted that it did not believe seeking ways and means for the treatment of AIDS-affected prisoners was appropriate work for the Branch.

5. Some delegations rejected the link between the assistance given to Member States to combat all forms of organized transnational crime and the promotion of the fundamental principles of the maintenance of the rule of law, sound public administration and good governance (para. 13.13(d)).

6. Some delegations noted the absence of reference to the illegal traffic of children, prostitution and child pornography as new forms of transnational crime and the means that should be taken to prevent, fight and eliminate their causes.

Conclusions and recommendations

7. The Committee recommends that the General Assembly, when considering the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997, review the programmatic narrative of section 13, crime control.